क्र.सं.	विवरण	ईकोलि	भाकोकोमि	सेकोलि	नाकोलि	वेकोलि	साईकोलि	मकोलि	कोईलि
11.	उत्पादन (मि.ट. में) (अप्रैल-मार्च, 98)	27.45	30.92	33.20	37.12	32.51	56.63	42.17	260.00
12.	97-98 की अवधि के दौरान रख-रखाव उत्पादन की प्रतिशत	57.23	49.90	73.77	76.45	86.31	102.29	92.89	80.45
13.	1996-97 की अवधि के दौरान उत्पादन के रख-रखाव का प्रतिशत	51.20	56.82	71.34	67.09	76.82	98.92	90.96	76.46

Revival plan for ECL

1533. SHRI JIBON ROY: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of West Bengal has given a proposal to constitute a Joint Committee to monitor the working and revival of the Eastern Coalfields Limited;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the company officials did not attend the meeting of the Committee; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefore?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI DILIP RAY): (a) to (c) A State Level Joint Monitoring Committee was set up by the Government of West Bengal on 24.12.98 under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary, West Bengal. In addition to the representatives of the Government of West Bengal, the Coal India Limited (CIL) and the Eastern Coalfields Limited (ECL) were represented in the Committee. Only one Trade Union was initially represented in the Committee. By an amendment effected on 30.1.99, the Government of West Bengal included five more Trade Unions in the Committee. Before constituting the Committee, the Government of West Bengal did not seek for the concurrence of Ministry of Coal. The composition of the Committee and not seek for the concurrence were decided solely by the Government of West Bengal without any consultation with the Ministry of Coal. The only meeting of the Committee held so far was on 11.2.99 and was attended by the Chairman, CIL, Director (Personnel), CIL and the Chairman-cum-Managing Director, ECL.

(d) Does not arise in view of answer given to parts (a) to (c) of the question.

Outstanding dues of power stations to Coal companies in Bihar

1554. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned, "Bihar faced with coal shortage crisis", as reported in Statesman dated 13th February, 1999;

(b) if so, whether coal companies in Bihar are claiming outstanding dues against various power stations in the State;

(c) if so, the total amount the coal companies are claiming from various power stations; and

(d) the steps taken by coal companies to recover the dues?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI DILIP RAY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The Coal companies in Bihar i.e. BCCL, CCL and ECL are claiming approximately Rs. 536.28 crores (Provisional) as outstanding dues against various power stations in the State after making adjustment for power bill payable by coal companies to BSEB.

(d) Several rounds of discussions were held between the coal companies and the BSEB to sort out the disputes of outstanding coal sale dues and energy bills. It has been decided that past outstanding dues should be settled by 31.3.99 and the BSEB and coal companies would pay for current supply of coal and power respectively.

Revival strategy of Central Coalfields

1555. SHRI K.M. SAIFULLAH: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state the details of revival strategy prepared by the Central Coalfields?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI DILIP RAY): No revival strategy has so far been prepared by the Central Coalfields Limited (CCL). However, the Board of Directors of the CCL in their meeting held on 17.2.99 have considered following measures for improving the financial position and coal production of the company:--

(i) Consolidation of the capacity of the washeries of CCL for washing of 7 million tonnes of raw coking coal per year.

(ii) Washing of non-coking coal through the washeries at Kargali, Gidi and Piparwar to achieve reduction of the ash content of washed non-coking coal to 18.5%.

(iii) Increasing production level substantially at the end of IX and X Plan periods by developing the coal reserves within CCL command area having high extraction potential.

Pithead stock of coal of MCL

1556. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present pithead stock of Coal of Mahanadi Coalfieds Ltd. (MCL);

(b) whether the pithead stock of Coal of MCL has been increasing; and

(c) if so, the details of steps taken to reduce the pithead stock?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI DILIP RAY): (a) The pithead stock of coal in Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL) as on 1.3.99 is 39.27 lakh tonnes (Provisional).

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir, MCL produces mostly power grade coal which is suitable for power generation. The stock with MCL has increased from 22.92 lakh tonnes on 1.4.98 to 39.27 lakh tonnes on 1.3.99 because of poor off-take of coal by the power houses linked to Mahanadi Coalfields Limited (MCL).

The Coal Company is trying to increase the offtake of coal to non-core sector consumers, seasonal consumers like brick kiln industries and sales of coal through the Liberalised Sales Scheme (LSS).

साउथ ईस्टर्न कोलफील्ड्स लि॰ में औषधालय भवन

1557. **श्री लक्खीराम अग्रवाल:** क्या कोयला मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या मध्य प्रदेश में साउथ ईस्टर्न कोलफील्ड्स लि॰, बिलासपुर में किसी औषधालय भवन का निर्माण किया गया है; यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ख) इस निर्माण कार्य पर कुल कितनी लागत आई है; और

(ग) इस औषधालय के कब से कार्यकरण प्रारंभ करने की संभावना है?

कोयला मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री दिलीप राय): (क) से (ग) कोल इंडिया लि॰ द्वारा दी गई सूचना के अनुसार साउथ ईस्टर्न कालफील्ड्स लि॰ द्वारा बिलासपुर (मध्य प्रदेश) में एक 200 बिस्तरों वाला बहु-विशेषता प्राप्त अस्पताल निर्माणाधीन है। जनवरी, 1999 तक इस अस्पताल पर 16.09 करोड़ रु॰ व्यय हुआ है। परियोजना को पूरा करने के लिए एक संशोधित लागत अनुमान तैयार किया जा रहा है।

Supply of Coal to Railways, Power, Steel, Cement Plants in Bihar

1558. SHRI JANARDAN YADAV: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the annual requirement of coal by the Power Plants, Steel Plants, Cement Plants, in Bihar, and the Railways during the last two years;

(b) the total quantity of coal supplied to these sectors during the said years;

(c) whether it is a fact that these sectors are not supplied coal in sufficient quantity as per their demand;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps taken to supply coal to all of them in the State as per their requirement?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI DILIP RAY) (a) and (b) The demand for coal is assessed sector-wise for the whole financial year and not State-wise. However, the requirement of power, steel and cement sectors in the State of Bihar as derived from the linkages and programmes during the last two years and supplies made to these sectors as per the information available with CIL are given as below:—